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SUBJECT: DANCER JUDITH JAMISON

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1. POST REPRESENTATIVE MET TODAY WITH ARIA OFFICI
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CONCERNING JAMISON APPEARANCE. IN TYPICAL ARIA FASHION THEY
HAVE ASKED FOR ANOTHER EXTENSION OF TIME TO DECIDE WHETHER OR
NOT JAMISON APPEARANCE FEASIBLE. THEIR MAJOR EXPRESSED COOJERN
AT THIS TIME IS NOT FEE (WHICH WOULD BE \$1,500 PLUS HOTEL AND
PER DIEM) BUT RATHER THE SELECTION OF ANOTHER DANCE COMPANY
TO APPEAR ON SAME PROGRAM WITH JAMISON. LATEST PROPOSAL IS FOR
MODERN DANCE GROUP FROM CLUJ OPERA BALLET COMPANY TO PERFORM TWO VERS
IONS
OF VIVALDI PIECE, I.E. ONE STANDARD CLASSICAL VERSION AND ONE
JAZZ VERSION. JAMISON WOULD OPEN PROGRAM FOLLOWED BY STANDARD
INTERPRETATION AND AFTER INTERMISSION CLUJ GROUP WOULD DO JAZZ
VERSION AND JAMISON WOULD CLOSE PROGRAM. PERFORMANCES WOULD BE
IN THE SALA PALATULUI (SEATING 3,000) SO THAT COSTS COULD BE
MET. ARIA SPOKEMAN SAID THAT CLUJ OPERA REPRESENTATIVE WILL
COME DOWN NEXT WEEK TO SEE IF FULL REQUIREMENTS FOR STAGING
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IN BUCHAREST CAN BE MET. THEY HAVE STATED THAT BY CHRISTMAS
THEY CAN PROVIDE FIRM DECISION. TENTATIVE PREFERENCE IS FOR EITHER
FEB 24 OR 25 PERFORMANCE BUT THEY DO NOT KNOW IF CLUJ GROUP
IS FREE AT THAT TIME.

2. ARIA REQUESTED PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL ON JAMISON. BEST WAY

TO HANDLE THIS REQUEST MIGHT BE FOR DEPARTMENT TO SEND POST
COPY OF NY TIMES SUNDAY MAGAZINE STORY ON JAMISON WHICH APPEARED
EARLIER THIS MONTH ALONG WITH PHOTOS. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN SENT.

3. POST APPRECIATES CU'S PATIENCE AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS
MATTER AND FEELS THERE IS AT LEAST 50-50 CHANCE THAT PERFORMANCE
CAN BE ARRANGED AND THUS WE CONSIDER IT WORTH OUR TIME AND
EFFORT TO PURSUE. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S CONFIRMATION
THAT ORIGINALLY DISCUSSED DATES STILL VIABLE (MARCH AS WELL
AS FEBRUARY).

4. ON ANOTHER MATTER, COUNCIL FOR SOCIALIST CULTURE AND EDUCATION
OFFICIAL INFORMED PAO AND CAO THAT THEY ARE INTERESTED IN AILEY
VISIT THOUGH NO SPECIFICS WERE DISCUSSED. IN MEETING WITH ARIA
TODAY POST REPRESENTATIVE ASKED IF DETAILS PROPOSED AILEY TELEGRAM
HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY PASSED ON TO COUNCIL BUT NO RESPONSE WAS

FORTHCOMING.

5. ARIA EXPRESSED SOME INTEREST IN STRADIVARI GROUP AND POST
WOULD ALRECIATE BEING INFORMED AS OTHER EITOEPEAN DATES ACD CONFIRMED.

DCU INTEREST WAS EXPRESSED ON BLACK EARTH PERCUSSION (SUBJECT
OF ANOTHER CABLE) BUT MODERATE INTEREST IN MISSISSIPPI DELTA BLUED
BAND.
BARNES

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